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PATENT

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In re: Patent Application of : Group Art Unit: 1646
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Appln. No.: 09/333,159 : Examiner: Dong Jiang
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HAVING DIAGNOSTIC, PREVENTIVE, : No. **10147-6**
THERAPEUTIC, AND OTHER USES : (MBIO99-030)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Applicant(s) in the above-identified application hereby petition(s) for a one-month extension of time to and including January 14, 2002 (January 13, 2002 being a Sunday) for responding to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2001. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

- A check in the amount of \$ ____ .00 is enclosed herewith.
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (**Billing No. 210147.0006**) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
 Extension fee in the amount of \$110.00.
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Respectfully submitted,

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